



**FAVRE GOES FOR OPPONENT TD RECORD**

Storylines are never hard to come by when the Chicago Bears and Green Bay Packers square off in one of the greatest rivalries in professional sports.

The 2004 season is no different, as Packers quarterback **BRETT FAVRE** looks to continue his dominance over the division rivals while Bears new head coach **LOVIE SMITH** aims to devise a scheme to stop him. The teams won’t wait long to get things started, as they meet at venerable Lambeau Field on Sunday, September 19 with a significant milestone on the line.

Favre has a touchdown pass in 24 consecutive games against the Bears – including four in two games last season – tied for the longest such streak all-time. When the teams meet at Lambeau Field, Green Bay’s No. 4 will be in position to surpass legendary Miami Dolphins passer **DAN MARINO**. Marino had a touchdown pass against the New York Jets in 24 consecutive games from 1985-98.

“Brett Favre is one of the all-time greats,” said Bears coach Smith. “He has the physical and mental tools that make him an exceptional quarterback. But what places him among our game’s best is the competitive fire he brings to the field every Sunday.”

In 24 career games against Chicago, Favre has completed 488 of 769 attempts (63.4) for 5,688 yards, 48 touchdowns and 23 interceptions for a 94.1 passer rating. The Packers have won 20 of those 24 games.

A look at the active and since 1970 records for consecutive games with a touchdown pass against one opponent:

<u>ACTIVE</u>				<u>SINCE 1970</u>			
NAME	OPPONENT	STREAK	START	NAME	OPPONENT	STREAK	YEARS
<b><i>Brett Favre</i></b>	<b><i>Chicago</i></b>	<b><i>24</i></b>	<b><i>1992</i></b>	<b><i>Brett Favre</i></b>	<b><i>Chicago</i></b>	<b><i>24</i></b>	<b><i>1992-present</i></b>
Mark Brunell	Cincinnati	12	1996	Dan Marino	NY Jets	24	1985-98
Vinny Testaverde	Indianapolis	12	1988	Dan Fouts	Oakland	17	1978-87
Multiple	Multiple	9		Joe Montana	Atlanta	15	1980-89
				Steve Grogan	Indianapolis	14	1976-90



**MC NAIR IS TOUGH, TOO**

The co-NFL MVP last year, Tennessee quarterback **STEVE MC NAIR**, according to Titans linebacker **KEITH BULLOCK**, “is a defensive player’s quarterback. He is probably the quarterback in the league that could play both ways.”

McNair, like Green Bay Packers quarterback **BRETT FAVRE**, last season played through a host of injuries and is recognized as one of the toughest players in the league.

“With Steve, you never expect him to not play,” says Tennessee tackle **BRAD HOPKINS**. “Steve lost an arm? Well, pick it up, attach it and he’ll play. That’s how he is. The quarterback isn’t supposed to be the toughest guy on your team. But he is here.”

One statistic that exhibits his toughness is his ability to stay in the pocket and make a throw or scramble and run with the football and take a hit. McNair is just one of five quarterbacks in NFL history with 20,000 passing yards and 3,000 rushing yards.

“The Marines have a saying, ‘Pain is weakness leaving the body,’” says Tennessee head coach **JEFF FISHER**. “That really applies to Steve.”

Following are the five quarterbacks in NFL history with 20,000 passing yards and 3,000 rushing yards:

QUARTERBACK	TEAM(S)	YEARS	PASSING YARDS	RUSHING YARDS
Fran Tarkenton	Minnesota, NY Giants	1961-1978	47,003	3,674
John Elway	Denver	1983-1998	51,475	3,407
Randall Cunningham	Phil., Minn., Dallas, Balt.	1985-2001	29,979	4,928
Steve Young	San Francisco	1985-1999	33,123	4,235
<b><i>Steve McNair</i></b>	<b><i>Houston/Tennessee</i></b>	<b><i>1995-Present</i></b>	<b><i>22,637</i></b>	<b><i>3,172</i></b>